



"Caught You Teaching to the Norms" Notepad

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Topic: Turning Around Chronically Low-Performing Schools

Practice: Quick Wins

This notepad is used by teachers and instructional leaders for brief classroom observations. Teachers use this notepad to comment on use of instructional norms. Only positive comments are provided, as opposed to the full observation form used by instructional leaders to recognize good things, as well as provide suggestions for improvement (see sample material: *Walk-In Observation Form*). Instructional norms listed on this notepad are: Objective, Checking for Understanding (CFU), Whiteboard, Concept, Student Production, Guided Practice, Modeling, Higher-Order Questions, and Periodic Review.

